DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. Customs and Border Protection

New Date for the April 2015 Customs Broker License Examination

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: General Notice.

SUMMARY: This document announces that U.S. Customs and Border Protection has changed the date on which the semi-annual written examination for an individual broker's license will be held in April 2015.

DATES: The customs broker's license examination scheduled for April 2015 will be held on Monday, April 13.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Section 641 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1641), provides that a person (an individual, corporation, association, or partnership) must hold a valid customs broker's license and permit in order to transact customs business on behalf of others, sets forth standards for the issuance of broker's licenses and permits, and provides for the taking of disciplinary action against brokers that have engaged in specified types of infractions. This section also provides that an examination may be conducted to assess an applicant's qualifications for a license.

The regulations issued under the authority of section 641 are set forth in Title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations, part 111 (19 CFR 111). Part 111 sets forth the

regulations regarding the licensing of, and granting of permits to, persons desiring to

transact customs business as customs brokers. These regulations also include the

qualifications required of applicants and the procedures for applying for licenses and

permits. 19 CFR 111.11 sets forth the basic requirements for a broker's license and, 19

CFR 111.11 (a)(4), provides that an applicant for an individual broker's license must

attain a passing grade (75 percent or higher) on a written examination.

19 CFR 111.13 sets forth the requirements and procedures for the written

examination for an individual broker's license and states that written customs broker

license examinations will be given on the first Monday in April and October unless the

regularly scheduled examination date conflicts with a national holiday, religious

observance, or other foreseeable event.

CBP recognizes that the first Monday in April 2015 coincides with the observance

of the religious holiday of Passover. In consideration of this conflict, CBP has decided to

change the regularly scheduled date of the examination. This document announces that

CBP has scheduled the April 2015 broker license examination for Monday, April 13,

2015.

Dated: December 16, 2014.

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Office of International Trade.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

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